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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

1. Amendment C, paper # 11, received on April 04, 2003 is acknowledged and entered. Claims 1, 4, 18, 25, 37, 45, 53, and 61 have been amended. New claims 73-79 have been added. Currently claims 1-79 are pending for examination.

2. The reply filed on April 04, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has not responded to the rejection of claims 4, 12, 28, 34, and 36 under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph (see prior office action, paper # 9, page 3). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yogesh C Garg whose telephone number is 703-306-0252. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:30-4:00).

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